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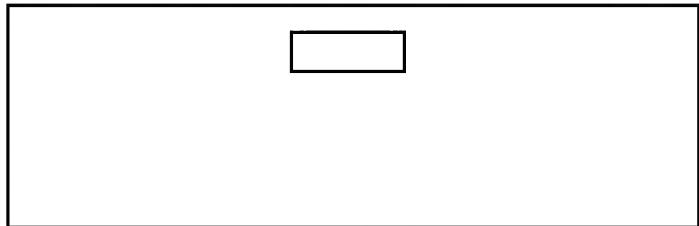
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ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

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19 September 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR : Members, Economic Intelligence Committee
SUBJECT : EIC Subcommittee on International Trade
and Aid

1. The EIC Subcommittee on International Trade and Aid will be abolished effective 1 October 1974.
2. There will be no diminution in reporting heretofore carried out under the aegis of the Subcommittee. The Office of Economic Research, CIA, will prepare the following publications:
 - a. A monthly report on Aid Activities of Communist Countries in the Less Developed Areas of the Free World.
 - b. A semi-annual summary of Aid Activities of Communist Countries in the Less Developed Countries.
 - c. An annual report on the Trade of Communist Countries with the Less Developed Countries.
3. This overall move should speed the publication process with no degradation of coverage and quality. I have instructed the Chief, Trade and Aid Branch, to work closely with DIA and INR to ensure that the data on military and economic aid are coordinated and are the best and most complete available. The substance of the textual presentation will also be coordinated.
4. The publications listed above will continue to be designed to describe recent key developments and trends in



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the various aspects of Communist aid to LDCs. Projections and speculation will be avoided. The text of the Annual Report will be reduced to minimize description of material contained in the tables. The Annual Report on Communist trade with the LDCs will be published separately after receipt of the detailed statistics on Soviet trade for the previous year.

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